

GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

November 13, 2015

The Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor The Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor The Honorable Joseph R. Straus, III, Speaker of the House

Gentlemen:

We are pleased to announce the Fiscal 2015 Annual Report for the Statewide Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program.

The HUB program is a component of the Texas Procurement and Support Services Division of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Texas Government Code §2161.121 requires the program to submit this report, which summarizes and analyzes expenditures made to certified HUBs by state agencies and institutions of higher education from Sept. 1, 2014, through Aug. 31, 2015.

During fiscal 2015, approximately 16,000 firms were registered as Texas-certified HUBs. Nearly 4,300 of these firms received approximately 12 percent, or \$2,029,550,710, of all statewide expenditures.

A comparison between the total HUB expenditures reflected in the fiscal 2014 and 2015 annual tables on page three of the Executive Summary shows that the state's total expenditures with HUBs increased by 7.41 percent for special trade; and 139.31 percent for professional services; whereas, in heavy construction, building construction, other services and commodities industries, the state's total expenditures with HUBs decreased 9.00 percent, 27.48 percent, 4.49 percent and 1.68 percent, respectively.

The HUB report includes state agency rankings, expenditure data and supplemental reports and letters from various state agencies documenting their continued efforts to educate HUBs about procurement opportunities.

If you have questions or require additional information regarding this report, please contact me at paul.gibson@cpa.texas.gov or 512-305-9071.

Respectfully,

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